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SUBJECT: "REVOLUTION DAY": WRAP UP

REF: (A) ADDIS 10872; (B) ADDIS 10987

1. WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 12-14 AND REVOLUTION DAY PASSED WITHOUT
UNTOWARD INCIDENTS IN ADDIS ABABA. NO RPT NO MAJOR POLICY OR
PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS WERE MADE. REVOLUTION SQUARE WAS IN-

AUGURATED. REPRESENTATIVES OF UNIONS, ETHIOPIAN FIRMS, PEASANTS,
AND THE ZEMETCHA CAMPAIGN PARADED FOR FIVE HOURS. THE PARADE
ROUTE AND REVOLUTION SQUARE WAS AMPLY GUARDED BY MILITARY AND
POLICE FORCES. PERSONNEL CHANGES (CF. PARA 3,
REF A), ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (CF. PARA 4, REF A), AND THE WAGE
POLICY (CF. PARA 6, REF A) WERE NOT ANNOUNCED BUT WERE HINTED AT IN

THE REVOLUTION DAY STATEMENT MADE BY PMAC CHAIRMAN BG TEFERI BANTE

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(TO BE REPORTED SEPTTEL).

2. ALTHOUGH MOST OF THE SIGNS CARRIED BY PARADING GROUPS SUPPORTED THE REVOLUTION AND DECRIED IMPERIALISM, SOME -- LIKELY UNAUTHORIZED- HAD AN ANTI-DIRG FLAVOR. THESE CALLED FOR RETURN TO CIVILAN RULE, UNION ELECTIONS, AND THE RELEASE OF DETAINED STUDENTS. SOME ANTI-AMERICAN SLOGANS REPORTEDLY APPEARED (SUCH AS YANKEE GO HOME). THESE WERE FEW IN NUMBER AND NOT BELIEVED TO BE SANCTIONED BY PMAC.

3. A FEW APPARENTLY UNAUTHORIZED GROUPS TRIED TO JOIN THE PARADE BUT WERE TURNED BACK BY THE UBIQUITOUS POLICE. ONE SUCH GROUP APPEARED TO BE STUDENTS WITH ANTI-DIRG POSTERS; ANOTHER WAS A SMALL DRUM CORPS COMPOSED OF EIGHT TO TEN-YEAR OLD "STREET BOYS."

4. THE GENERAL ATOMSPHERE DURING NEW YEAR'S AND REVOLUTION DAY WEEKEND WAS ONE OF CELBRATION AND GENERAL CALM.
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